GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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WITHDRAWL OF SUBSIDY ON KEROSENE AND LPG
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether subsidy on kerosene and LPG is proposed to be withdrawn by the end of the year 2002;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the impact thereof on the general consumers?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) to (c) : The Government had decided in November,1997 that subsidy on LPG (Domestic) and PDS kerosene will be reduced in phases to reach the level of 15% and 33.33% of the import parity price by 2000-01 and 2001-02 respectively. As per the decision, the subsidy is to be transferred to the fiscal budget from the year 2002 onwards.